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Assumptions Used in Arriving at Fiscal Estimate

Under current law, one of the eligibility requirements for the farmland preservation tax credit is that the claimant's farmland is either covered by a farmland preservation agreement or is in a farmland preservation zoning district under a farmland preservation zoning ordinance certified by the Department of Agriculture, Trade and Consumer Protection (DATCP).

This bill provides that if a town that withdraws from county zoning adopts a farmland preservation zoning ordinance before it withdraws, the town's farmland preservation zoning ordinance is considered to be certified by DATCP until DATCP certifies, or denies certification of, the ordinance, but not for more than 18 months.

The changes under the bill do not alter the Department of Revenue administration of the farmland preservation credit, but may affect DATCP certifications upon which credit claims are verified. Additionally the bill may result in towns with ordinances that are treated as certified, but that are not known to DATCP and DOR.

Long-Range Fiscal Implications